

Mentor Newsletter

August, 2019



Note from the Co-Directors:

Welcome to the 2019-2020 school year. As a reminder, WSSAAA is here to provide support to athletic directors across the state. We remain dedicated to finding different ways to provide all athletic directors with essential information each month in a concise, easy to understand fashion. We hope the Mentor Newsletter becomes a welcome source of information for you in your role as athletic director. We look forward to connecting in the coming year.

WIAA Rule of the Month: *Jeff Lowell, Bellevue SD*

WIAA Handbook (On-Line Version)

Having both a print and on-line version of the WIAA is essential. Utilizing the Adobe search feature (cntrl-F) in the on-line version will allow any AD to easily find information to help guide them when making decisions through the year. Download a copy to keep on your computer's desktop.

Document(s) of the Month: *Submitted by: WIAA Staff*

Do you ever find yourself wondering if there is something you have missed doing during the month? The WIAA staff has compiled a detailed "to-do" list for athletic directors and posted it on their website. This list will assist new AD's to stay on top of key details during each month of the school year. [Pdf version](#) / [Word Version](#)

The WIAA staff also created a pre-season Coaches' Checklist to assist AD's as they prepare their coaches to 'take the field.' Use this document to guide your planning meetings with your coaches through each season. [Sample Checklist](#)

Air Quality Standards:

Use www.Airnow.gov to check air quality standards during the Fall season. The site includes recommended actions for poor air quality.

Web Video #1

Originally produced on 9/9/2014, Tom Doyle and Jim Piccolo (the first WSSAAA Mentors) guide you through the Mission of Mentorship, WSSAAA, and an AD's legal requirements.

[WSSAAA Webinar 9/9/2014](#)

TIP OF THE MONTH:

Make every effort to calendar professional development opportunities. Professional growth, networking and the ability to learn from others who are walking alongside you is an invaluable resource for you.

[NIAAA Conference](#) December 13-17, 2019 in National Harbor, MD.

WSSAAA State Conference, April 25-27, 2020 in the Tri-Cities.

WSSAAA Mentors

Co-Directors:

[Jeff Pietz](#), Lakeside (9 Mile) HS

[Jeff Lowell](#), Bellevue SD

District Mentors:

1: [Don Beazizo](#), B-E SD

2: [Lance Gatter](#), Inglemoor HS

3: [Lauren McDaniel](#), Klahowya Sec. School

4: [Robert Blackman](#), Mark Morris HS

5: [Lance DenBoer](#), Kiona-Benton HS

6: [Loren Sandhop](#), Moses Lake HS

7: [Ryan Peplinski](#), St. Georges School

8: [Paul Manfred](#), Gonzaga Prep HS

9: [Toddette McGreevy](#), Pomeroy HS

Monthly Quote: "It's not personal, Sonny. It's strictly business." - Al Pacino, The Godfather.

As an AD, it is essential to remember that the challenges you face daily are not personal in nature and respond to those who seek you out with patience, humility, and a servant heart.